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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

**AND**

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Under the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), Applicants petition to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The requested extension and appropriate fee are as follows (check time period desired):

- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1) - Extension within first month  
☐ 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(2) - Extension within second month  
☒ 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(3) - Extension within third month  
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